

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0002] as follows:

--This application is also a ~~Continuation-in-Part of~~ related to U.S. Patent Application 09/810,148, entitled "System and Method for Discovering Information Objects and Information Object Repositories in Computer Networks", filed March 15, 2001.--

Please amend paragraph [0055] as follows:

--In one embodiment of the present invention, a Web router is contacted according to a scheme for enabling the discovery of the caches and servers storing information objects distributed over computer networks, which can be implemented in hardware and/or software, by a client, a Web server, a Web cache, or another type of server with a request for the address of one or more Web caches that a client should contact to obtain an information object. Further descriptions of these various schemes are presented below. A complete description of a Web router is included in co-pending U.S. Patent Application 09/810,148, entitled "System and Method for Discovering Information Objects and Information Object Repositories in Computer Networks", filed March 15, 2001,~~the complete disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein.~~--

Please amend paragraph [0073] as follows:

-- In a further embodiment, one of the following four mechanisms, or, a combination of some of the following four mechanisms, is or may be used to communicate the best Web cache or

content server, or the set of Web caches (more generally the information object repository(ies)), which should serve a client's request:

- (1) direct cache selection;
- (2) redirect cache selection;
- (3) remote DNS cache selection; and
- (4) client DNS cache selection.

These approaches are described in detail in co-pending U.S. Provisional Patent Application No.60/200,404, entitled "System and Method for Using a Mapping Between Client Addresses and Addresses of Caches to Support Content Delivery", filed April 28, 2000, and U.S. Patent Application 09/843,789, entitled "System and Method for Using a Mapping Between Client Addresses and Addresses of Caches to Support Content Delivery", filed April 26, 2001,~~the complete disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--~~